

The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

1. A method of selecting recipients of an e-mail message for transmission by a recipient computer in reply to a received e-mail message comprising:
 - i) storing said received e-mail message in the memory of said recipient computer;
 - ii) parsing the contents of the said received email for e-mail addresses and forming a list of said parsed e-mail addresses;
 - iii) displaying said list of parsed e-mail addresses; and
 - iv) forming a reply e-mail message to recipients selected from said list by said user.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein said received e-mail message is a multi-party e-mail.
3. The method of claim 1 wherein said list of parsed e-mail addresses is displayed in response to an action by a user.
4. The method of claim 3 wherein said user action comprises initiating a reply message.
5. The method of claim 1 wherein said recipient computer parses said received e-mail message automatically prior to said user action.
6. The method of claim 1 wherein said recipient computer parses said received e-mail message automatically upon receipt of said message.
7. The method of claim 1 wherein said recipient computer loads and displays said received email for viewing by said user prior to said parsing step.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein prior to said parsing step said user requests a list of potential reply e-mail addresses.
9. The method of claim 1 wherein said response message is formed by auto-populating SMTP headers with said list of e-mail addresses
10. The method of claim 1 wherein said response message is formed by auto-populating user interface graphical elements.
11. A computer program product for selecting recipients of an e-mail message for transmission by a recipient computer in reply to a received e-mail message said computer program product comprising:
 - a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means embodied in said medium for::
 - i) storing said received e-mail message in the memory of said recipient computer;
 - ii) parsing the contents of the said received email for e-mail addresses and forming a list of said parsed e-mail addresses;
 - iii) displaying said list of parsed e-mail addresses; and
 - iv) forming a reply e-mail message to recipients selected from said list by said user.
12. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said received e-mail message is a multi-party e-mail.
13. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said list of parsed e-mail addresses is displayed in response to an action by a user.
14. The computer program product of claim 13 wherein said user action comprises initiating a reply message.

15. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said recipient computer parses said received e-mail message automatically prior to said user action.
16. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said recipient computer parses said received e-mail message automatically upon receipt of said message
17. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said recipient computer loads and displays said received email for viewing by said user prior to said parsing step.
18. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein prior to said parsing step said user requests a list of potential reply e-mail addresses.
19. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said response message is formed by auto-populating SMTP headers with said list of e-mail addresses.
20. The computer program product of claim 11 wherein said response message is formed by auto-populating user interface graphical elements.
21. An article comprising:
 - a computer readable modulated carrier signal;
 - means embedded in said signal for selecting recipients of an e-mail message for transmission by a recipient computer in reply to a received e-mail message by i) storing said received e-mail message in the memory of said recipient computer;
 - ii) parsing the contents of the said received email for e-mail addresses and forming a list of said parsed e-mail addresses;
 - iii) displaying said list of parsed e-mail addresses; and
 - iv) forming a reply e-mail message to recipients selected from said list by said user.

22. The article of claim 21 wherein said received e-mail message is a multi-party e-mail.
23. The article of claim 21 wherein said list of parsed e-mail addresses is displayed in response to an action by a user.
24. The article of claim 23 wherein said user action comprises initiating a reply message.
25. The article of claim 21 wherein said recipient computer parses said received e-mail message automatically prior to said user action.
26. The article of claim 21 wherein said recipient computer parses said received e-mail message automatically upon receipt of said message.
27. The article of claim 21 wherein said recipient computer loads and displays said received email for viewing by said user prior to said parsing step.
28. The article of claim 21 wherein prior to said parsing step said user requests a list of potential reply e-mail addresses.

29. The article of claim 21 wherein said response message is formed by auto-populating SMTP headers with said list of e-mail addresses.
30. The article of claim 21 wherein said response message is formed by auto-populating user interface graphical elements.